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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTER SAPENA OPPOSES LIFTING CUBA
SANCTIONS BY MAJORITY VOTE

1. IN A PRESS INTERVIEW HELD JULY 9 FONMIN RAUL SAPENA PASTOR
OPPOSED ANY CHANGE IN RIO TREATY THAT WOULD ALLOW OAS SANCTIONS
AGAINST CUBA TO BE LIFTED BY A MAJORITY VOTE.

2. SAPENA TOLD THE EDITORS OF ASUNCION DAILY LA TRIBUNTA: "IT
WOULD BE ABSURD TO THINK THAT A MEETING OF AMBASSADORS CAN
CHANGE A TREATY WHICH HAS BEEN DULY RATIFIED BY THE MEMBERS
OF THE OAS... A TWO-THIRDS VOTE IS REQUIRED TO LIFT THE SANCTIONS
AGAINST CUBA" SAPENA SAID THAT CHANGING THE RIO TREATY
SHOULD REQUIRE A NEW AGREEMENT RATIFIED BY THE COUNTRIES ATTENDING
THE SAN JOSE CONFERENCE. HE ADDED:"WE THINK A NEW TREATY SHOULD
BE SIGNED AND THAT THE ENTIRE PROCESS SHOULD BE FOLLOWED WHICH
LED TO RATIFICATION OF THE ONE NOW IN EFFECT." END UNCLASSIFIED

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3. COMMENT: THE GOP'S POSITION ON LIFTING CUBA SANCTIONS COMES
DIRECTLY FROM PRESIDENT STROESSNER AND IN THE EMBASSY'S OPINION IS
NOT SUBJECT TO CHANGE. THE GOP REMAINS STRONGLY OPPOSED
TO LIFTING THE SANCTIONS, AMONG OTHER REASONS BECAUSE IT
STILL PERCEIVES A THREAT FROM CUBA TO PARAGUAY'S VAUNTED

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